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19 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
20 **CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**
21 **SOUTHERN DIVISION**

22 RENO MAY, an individual;
23 ANTHONY MIRANDA, an individual;
24 ERIC HANS, an individual; GARY
25 BRENNAN, an individual; OSCAR A.
26 BARRETTO, JR., an individual;
27 ISABELLE R. BARRETTO, an
28 individual; BARRY BAHRAMI, an
individual; PETE STEPHENSON, an
individual; ANDREW HARMS, an
individual; JOSE FLORES, an
individual; DR. SHELDON HOUGH,
DDS, an individual; SECOND
AMENDMENT FOUNDATION; GUN
OWNERS OF AMERICA; GUN
OWNERS FOUNDATION; GUN
OWNERS OF CALIFORNIA, INC.;
THE LIBERAL GUN CLUB, INC.; and
CALIFORNIA RIFLE & PISTOL
ASSOCIATION, INCORPORATED,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ROBERT BONTA, in his official
capacity as Attorney General of the
State of California, and DOES 1-10,

Defendants.

Case No.: 8:23-cv-01696 CJC (ADSx)

**DECLARATION OF ANTHONY
MIRANDA IN SUPPORT OF
PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR
PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION**

42 U.S.C. §§ 1983 & 1988

Hearing Date: December 4, 2023
Hearing Time: 1:30 p.m.
Courtroom: 9 B
Judge: Hon. Cormac J. Carney

DECLARATION OF ANTHONY MIRANDA

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2 1. I, Anthony Miranda, am a plaintiff in the above-entitled action. I make this
3 declaration of my own personal knowledge and, if called as a witness, I could and
4 would testify competently to the truth of the matters set forth herein.

5 2. I am a current resident of Kings County, California.

6 3. I am a law-abiding adult who is not prohibited from owning firearms under
7 the laws of the United States of America or the state of California. I have never
8 been found by any law enforcement agency, any court, or any other government
9 agency to be irresponsible, unsafe, or negligent with firearms in any manner. I am a
10 member of the California Rifle & Pistol Association, another plaintiff in this matter.

11 4. I have a valid and current California concealed carry weapon ("CCW")
12 permit issued by the Kings County Sheriff's Department.

13 5. I legally carry a concealed firearm with me on a daily basis, so that I may be
14 armed and be able to defend myself and potentially others in the event of a life-
15 threatening emergency situation. Prior to SB 2, I only didn't carry my pistol when
16 planning on going to one of the few places where carry was not permitted, such as a
17 school or courthouse, or when I intended to have a drink with dinner.

18 6. Because SB 2 would prohibit me from carrying in many places where I am
19 accustomed to concealed carrying a firearm, the utility of my CCW permit, and thus
20 my right to be armed for self-defense in public, will be outright eliminated in nearly
21 all common contexts.

22 7. For example, under SB 2 I cannot carry in any establishment where alcohol is
23 served, even if I do not intend to drink. That means I cannot conceal carry at most
24 of the restaurants that I patronize on a regular basis, such as Chili's, Applebees,
25 Buffalo Wild Wings, and local establishments such as Figaro's in Hanford, El
26 Tarasco in Hanford, and Sal's in Selma. Nor can I even carry in the parking area of
27 such establishments. Under SB 2, I also cannot carry at the Hanford mall that I
28 often visit for shopping and going to movies because it has restaurants that serve

1 alcohol, making the mall and its parking lot out of bounds under SB 2.

2 8. Those two provisions of SB 2 are hardly the only two that will impact me. I
3 can't carry while I stop at a gas station to fill up my car, because most gas stations
4 sell lottery tickets inside, making them off-limits for carry. Under SB 2, carry is
5 also prohibited at urgent care facilities which I have utilized in the past for medical
6 attention and would use in the future. Carry is also prohibited at financial
7 institutions such as my local bank that I frequent, and a variety of other places that I
8 regularly visit.

9 9. Because SB 2 forbids carry in playgrounds, it restricts me walking around
10 within the community I live in while carrying, because the community has a
11 playground in the middle of it. That playground and all streets or sidewalks
12 adjacent to it are now off-limits. The mailbox I regularly walk to in order to retrieve
13 my mail, for example, is right across the street from the playground.

14 10. A major fear of mine in relation to SB 2 however is that it restricts carry in
15 churches. In recent years, there have been numerous attacks on people of faith at
16 places of worship. For that reason, prior to SB 2, I always carried at church. SB 2
17 takes that right away from me, but I know that it will not stop any violent criminals
18 from carrying unlawfully into my church. SB 2 disarms me and other peaceable
19 individuals who respect the law, thereby empowering criminals.

20 11. These are, of course, just a few examples of how SB 2 affects me, and as I
21 go about my daily life, I am sure to discover several more. SB 2 has essentially
22 destroyed my constitutional right to carry, as so few of the places I go to on a daily
23 basis will permit carry, and I don't want to expose my firearm to theft by constantly
24 leaving it in my vehicle. But for SB 2 and my fear of criminal prosecution, I would
25 continue to carry in all of these places as I did before the law took effect.

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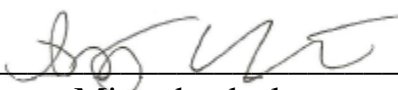
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1 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

2 Executed on September 29, 2023.

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Anthony Miranda, declarant

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

Case Name: *May, et al. v. Bonta*
Case No.: 8:23-cv-01696 CJC (ADSx)

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED THAT:

I, the undersigned, am a citizen of the United States and am at least eighteen years of age. My business address is 180 East Ocean Boulevard, Suite 200, Long Beach, California 90802.

I am not a party to the above-entitled action. I have caused service of:

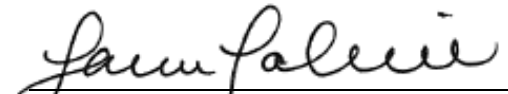
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on the following party by electronically filing the foregoing with the Clerk of the District Court using its ECF System, which electronically notifies them.

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed September 29, 2023.



Laura Palmerin